## EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

April 13, 1999

## MEMBERS PRESENT:

Alan McCoy Barbara Burke, MD

James Cooper Don Amber
Tom Kitchens Dennis Rose

John Grolich

STAFF PRESENT:

Sherrie Crain Rebecca Blagrave

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Paul Beal Michael Keever Jim Rosenau Tim Taylor

R D Hollenbeck R Brent Meadows

**GUESTS**:

Chuck Ford Denise Ervin

The meeting was called to order by Dennis Rose.

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and approved.

Sherrie Crain reported on the last Commission meeting. No action was taken by the Commission on the recommendation of the committee regarding the BLS Non-transport issue.

Don Amber expressed concerns that there is no communications pipeline between the rank-and-file volunteer fire fighter and the EMS Commission. There is no way for volunteer fire organizations to channel their concerns to the Commission.

Ms. Crain reported that the revisions to the Accident Report were approved by the Commission.

Ms. Crain reported that Becky Blagrave has developed a data base for the accident information and is ready to develop reports. Committee members offered suggestions for possible reports including: Driver by name and multiple accidents, Driver age, driver training and experience, driver certification level, use of lights and/or siren, type of accident, and general composite reports.

Ms. Crain reported that the EMS staff is beginning a review of EMS rule with the goal of presenting needed revisions to the Commission. She also announced that an air ambulance task force has been formed and is researching needed changes to the air ambulance rules.

Tom Kitchens reported that he has been attending the Advanced EMT Task Force meetings and is disappointed that they are so poorly attended. Mr. Kitchens discussed some of the possible changes the task force is looking at.

John Grolich announced that some legislators are trying to amend the state benefits for line-of-duty deaths to include EMS personnel. He will forward specific to the SEMA office when it is available.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

## **FUTURE MEETING DATES:**

**Tuesday, July 13, 1999 Tuesday, October 12, 1999** 

The meetings will begin at noon and be held at Wayne Township Fire Department Headquarters.

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT MEMBERS ATTEND MEETINGS OR CONTACT THE SEMA OFFICE IF THEY WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ATTEND.

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